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Subject: Campaign Financing and "Soft Money".

This e-Mail is from Jim Turpin

The FEC needs to stop the "527 Groups" from making a mockery of the "Soft Money" ban.

Read the attached letter to the EFC and if you agree change the name at the bottom to yours and send to politicalcommitteestatus@fec.gov.



- New 527 Group.doc

Dear FEC,

As a loyal supporter of campaign finance reform, I want the FEC today to do something to stop the "527 group".

As you may already know, a number of so-called "527 groups" have sprung up in the current election cycle. These groups are raising and spending millions of dollars of "soft money"- the unregulated, unlimited checks from corporations, labor unions and wealthy individuals that have so corrupted our political system in the past.

Last year, we as a country were finally able to officially prohibit political parties from using those soft money dollars. This would not have been possible without the help of thousands of fellow citizens who care about fairness and integrity in our government and its elections.

These new "527 groups", however, contend that the ban does not apply to them. I could not disagree more - and now the law is on my side.

Right now, the FEC is engaged in a rulemaking decision that could once again subject our

country's elections to another corrupting wave of soft money.

Reform opponents are fighting hard to delay your decision until after the current election cycle, thereby ensuring that soft money will seep its way back into the system. Thus far, reform opponents have generated 30,000 public comments to the FEC urging the agency not to act on this key issue.

I NEED YOUR HELP. You the FEC need decisive action to stop these “527 groups” from making a mockery of the soft money ban that we all worked so hard for.

The FEC needs fast and fair action to stop “527 groups” from using soft money..

I’m forwarding this to any friends, neighbors and family members who share my concern about keeping soft money out of this Presidential election. I’m asking them to also contact the FEC.

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Thank you again for your support. These important reforms will never be realized without your continued help and action.

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